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1. RE PARA. 5 OF REF. B, WE HAVE DECIDED TO LIMIT US
ATTENDANCE TO US-ASEAN MEETINGS TO ACCREDITED MEMBERS OF
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THE DELEGATION. HOWEVER, AS INDICATED IN REF. C, DELE-
GATION PLANS TO GIVE AN ADVANCE BRIEFING AND EXCHANGE
VIEWS WITH ECONOMIC COUNSELORS FROM OUR EMBASSIES IN ASEAN
CAPITALS. WE WOULD ALSO KEEP THEM CURRENTLY INFORMED
THROUGHOUT TALKS.

2. IN ADDITION TO SESSIONS WITH ECON COUNSELORS THERE ARE

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A NUMBER OF OTHER SIDE MEETINGS IN THE OFFING. WE UNDER-
STAND GOP WISHES TO TALK WITH HEGINBOTHAM ON ECONOMIC
TREATY ON SEPT. 6 (SEE SEPTEL) AND BILATERALS WITH
COOPER AND HEGINBOTHAM ON SEPT. 10. WE WERE INCLINED TO
POSTPONE APCAC MEETING TO SEPTEMBER 10 SO THAT COOPER
COULD BE PRESENT BUT NOW POSSIBILITY OF CONTINUATION OF
ASEAN MEETING (WHICH WE DO NOT ENCOURAGE) AND US-GOP
BILATERALS MAKES THAT RISKY. SEPARATE SEPTEL WILL FOLLOW
REQUESTING SEPARATE MTN TECHNICAL TALKS BUT THAT COULD

BE ARRANGED PARALLEL TO MAIN MEETING WHEN NON-TRADE
AGENDA ITEMS ARE BEING DISCUSSED. BALANCING THESE
VARIOUS CONSIDERATIONS, IT WOULD SEEM BEST IF MEETING
WITH ECON COUNSELORS AND WITH APCAC IS POSTPONED TO
7TH. ALTHOUGH BURRIDGE WROTE TO SECRETARY THAT APCAC
SPECIALISTS FROM ASEAN CAPITALS WILL COME TO MANILA TO
MEET WITH US DEL ON 6TH, WE ASSUME ONE DAY POSTPONEMENT
WILL NOT INCONVENIENCE THEM. PLEASE ADVISE.

3. FOR TOKYO: REF. C, WHICH IS BEING REPEATED TO TOKYO,
INVITED THE ECONOMIC COUNSELORS IN OUR EMBASSY IN ASEAN
CAPITALS TO MEET IN MANILA ON SEPTEMBER 6TH IN CONNECTION
WITH THE US-ASEAN ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS AND, IF THEY
WISH TO DO SO, TO REMAIN IN MANILA FOR THE DURATION OF
THE TALKS. IN VIEW OF COMATT NORMAN GLICK'S ONWARD
ASSIGNMENT AS SENIOR POLICY MANAGER--FAR EAST IN USDOC
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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY, AND THE SIGNIFI-
CANCE OF THE US-ASEAN TALKS, COMMERCE PROPOSES SENDING
GLICK TO MANILA FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 6-9 TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM FOR THE ECONOMIC COUNSELORS
FROM THE ASEAN CAPITALS AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. GLICK'S
TRAVEL AND EXPENSES WILL BE FUNDED BY COMMERCE. IF
EMBASSY CONCURS, PLEASE CABLE RESPONSE SOONEST TO PERMIT
COMMERCE TO COMPLETE ARRANGEMENTS AND FORWARD FISCAL
DATA FOR TDY ORDERS.

4. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HEGINBOTHAM WILL ARRIVE
MANILA NW NO. 3, 2350, SEPTEMBER 5. HE GRATEFULLY
ACCEPTS INVITATION OF SAM LEE TO STAY WITH HIM. GEBER
ARRIVES PL NO. 427, 1930, SEPTEMBER 4. HE ACCEPTS WITH
THANKS AMBASSADOR EDMOND'S INVITATION. VANCE

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